



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: NUCLEIC ACID ENZYME  
BIOSENSORS FOR IONS

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

M.S. -AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated August 26, 2005 for a period of two month(s).

Please charge the \$225.00 fee to our American Express card. A Credit Card Payment Form is attached.

Small entity - Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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